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SUBJECT: KEY SPANISH ECONOMIC STATISTICS - NUMBER 8

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1. THE NEWEST STATISTICS HIGHLIGHT SPAIN'S INFLATION PROBLEM: CONSUMER PRICES ROSE NINE PERCENT IN THE FIRST THIRD OF THE YEAR AND WHOLESALE PRICES ROSE 6.75 PERCENT IN THE INITIAL QUARTER. THESE FIGURES INDICATE POSSIBLE FULL-YEAR INFLATION LEVELS THAT CAN ONLY BE CONSIDERED ALARMING.

2.CUSTOMS STATISTICS FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS SHOW A SLIGHT NARROWING OF THE SPANISH TRADE DEFICIT, IN PART DUE TO A LOWER VOLUME OF OIL IMPORTS AND TO RISING EXPORTS OF LOCALLY-PRODUCED FORD AUTOMOBILES AND OTHER MANUFACTURES. NEW DATA SHOW THAT REVENUES FROM FOREIGN TOURISTS HAVE NOT RISEN APPRECIABLY AND THAT SPANISH TOURISTS ARE SPENDING MUCH MORE ABROAD (THOUGH THE GOVERNMENT PREDICTS A RECOVERY THIS SUMMER IN TOURIST REVENUES). THE DEFICIT IN EXUNCLASSIFIED

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TERNAL SERVICE PAYMENTS HAS WIDENED SUBSTANTIALLY, AND TRANSFERS FROM SPANISH WORKERS ABROAD ARE DOWN 47 PERCENT IN THE FIRST QUARTER COMPARED TO THE SAME PERIOD IN 1976. OVERALL, THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS SITUATION APPEARS TO BE LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN LAST YEAR'S DISASTROUS PERFORMANCE. AS A RESULT OF THIS, AND OF FEWER LARGE LOANS FROM

ABROAD, FOREIGN RESERVES CONTINUE TO DROP. IT HAS BEEN UNOFFICIALLY REPORTED THAT RESERVES FELL 307 MILLION DOLLARS IN MAY.

3. BEGINNING WITH THIS CABLE WE ARE LABELLING THE BROAD-MEASURE MONEY STATISTIC M3 MRATHER THAN M2. THE BANK OF SPAIN DOES NOT USE EITHER LABEL AND THE IMF HAS PREVIOUSLY REFERRED TO THIS STATISTIC AS M2, BUT THE FIGURE INCLUDES ALL TYPES OF DEPOSITS AND WE WILL THEREFORE REPORT IT AS M3.

A) OUTPUT AND DEMAND

(1) INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

(BASE 1962 - 100)

(1/76: 325.4; 7/76: 363.0; 1/77: 379.4)

2/77 (PROV) 395.8

INDEX (TREND)

(1/76: 336.8; 7/76: 354.4; 1/77: 387.3)

1/77 (PROV) 387.3

2/77 (PROV) 393.3

(2) GDP DATA IS CONTAINED IN CABLE NUMBER 4 OF THIS SERIES.

(3) DEPT. STORE RETAIL SALES

(BASE 1963 - 100)

INDEX (1/76: 1,622.9; 7/76: 1,619.5;

1/77: 2,077.1)

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3/77 1.265.5

INDEX (TREND)

(1/76: 1,261.0; 7/76: 1,357.5; 1/77: 1,517.3)

2/77 1,565.8

3/77 1,614.3

(4) STEEL PRODUCTION (1,000 TONS)

(1/76: 839.3; 7/76; 1,001,1; 1/77: 952.7)

1/77 952.7

2/77 884.7

(5) CEMENT PRODUCTION (1,000 TONS)

(1/76: 1,715; 7/76: 2,194; 1/77: 1,955)

2/77 2,205

(6) ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION (MILLION KWH)

(1/76: 7,686.1; 7/76: 7,014.1; 1/77: 8,325.4)

NO NEW STATISTIC

(7) MADRID STOCK MARKET INDEX

(SERIES IS NOW BASED ON DEC. 31, 1976 - 100)

(DEC. 31, 1975 - 100 DEC. 31, 1976 - 71.44)

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B PRICE INDEXES

(1 CPI (BASE 1968 - 100)

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(1/76: 204.7; 7/76: 226.0; 1/77: 248.1)
  NO NEW STATISTIC
  CPI (BASE 1976 - 100) NO INDEX NUMBERS AVAILABLE
  3/77 (PROV) 2.48 PERCENT
  4/77 (PROV) 1.73 PERCENT
  1-4/77 (PROV) 9.0 PERCENT
(2) WPI (BASE 1955 - 100)
  INDEX (1/76: 364.5; 7/76: 382.7; 1/77: 421.8)
  2/77
          433.6
  3/77 (PROV) 449.3
  INDEX (TREND)
  (1/76: 364.2; 7/76: 391.0; 1/77: 425.2)
          425.2
  1/77
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           432.2
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  3/77 (PROV) 439.1
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C) MONEY SUPPLY
(1) M1 (BILLIONS PESETAS) (NOT SEAS. ADJUSTED)
  (1/76: 1,859.8, 7/76: 2,076.6; 1,77: 2,237.2)
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12/76 2,384.7

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1/77
           2,237.2
           2,222.7
   2/77
           2,270.9
(2) M3 (BILLIONS PESETAS) (NOT SEAS. ADJUSTED)
   (1/76: 5,186.3; 7/76: 5,673.2; 1/77: 6,181.8)
   2/77
           6,213.7
           6,312.2
   3/77
(3) REPRESENTATIVE SHORT TERM INTEREST RATE
   (1/76: 11.4 PERCENT; 7/76: 17.4 PERCENT;
   1/77: 12.5 PERCENT)
   3/77 12.1 PERCENT
   4/77 (FIRST 20 DAYS) 10.7 PERCENT
(4) REPRESENTATIGE LOND TERM INTEREST RATE
   (UNCHANGED DURING YEAR)
   FIRST QUARTER 1977 14 PERCENT
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D) CENTRAL GOVERNMENT (NARROWLY DEFINED)
(1) DEFICIT OR SURPLUS (BILLIONS PESETAS)
   (1/76: -5.2; 7/76: 7.8; 1/77: 9.3)
   1/77 (PROV) 9.3
   2/77 (PROV) 11.3
   3/77 (PROV) -38.0
(2) EXPENDITURES (BILLIONS PESETAS)
   (1/76: 52.4; 7/76: 93.8; 1/77: 49.4)
   1/77 (PROV) 49.4
   2/77 (PROV) 114.2
   3/77 (PROV) 92.6
(3) REVENUES (BILLIONS PESETAS)
   (1/76: 47.3; 7/76: 101.6; 1/77: 58.7)
   1/77 (PROV) 58.7
   2/77 (PROV) 125.4
   3/77 (PROV) 54.6
(4) NET GOVERNMENT FINANCE (BILLIONS PESETAS)
   (1/76: 2.5; 7/76: -7.0; 1/77: -13.3)
   1/77 (PROV) -13.3
   2/77 (PROV) 2.0
   3/77 (PROV) 81.1
E) LABOR
(1) - (3) NO NEW STATISTIC
(4) WAGE INDEX (BASE 1967 - 100)
   (1/76: 380.2; 7/76: 709.3)
   12/76
           726.8
   INDEX (TREC)
   (1/76: 419/9; 7/76: 491.1)
   NO NEW STATISTIC
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F) TRADE AND PAYMENTS

(1) EXPORT VALUE FOB (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS) UNCLASSIFIED

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(1/76: 827.6; 7/76: 765.9; 1/77: 748.3) 5/77 (\$1 - 68.91) 996.3 (BILLIONS PESETAS) (1/76: 49.4; 7/76: 52.0; 1/77: 51.3) 5/77 68.6

(2) IMPORT VALUE CIF (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

(1/76: 1,361.5; 7/76: 1,414.3; 1/77: 1,135.7) 5/77 (\$1 - 68.91) 1,833.6 (BILLION PESETAS) (1/76: 81.3; 7/76: 96.1; 1/77: 77.8) 5/77 126.3

(3) EXPORT VOLUME (MILLIONS METRIC TONS)

 $(1/76;\, 2.3;\, 7/76;\, 2.3;\, 1/77;\, 2.4)$

5/77 2.6

(4) IMPORT VOLUME (MILLION METRIC TONS)

 $(1/76;\,6.4;\,7/76;\,7.1;\,1/77;\,5.3)$

5.77 8.7

(5) CURRENT ACCOUNT DEFICIT (BEFORE ADDITION) OF

STANDARD RATIO ADJUSTMENTS) (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

(1/76: 276.6; 7/76: 482.3; 1/77: 551.7) 2/77 574.5 3/77 (\$1 - 68.79) 462.9

1-3/77 (\$1 - 68.79) 1,589.7

(6) FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES (MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)

(1/76: 5,874.8; 7/76: 5,084.4; 1/77: 4,753.0)

1/77 4,635.8

(7) NO NEW OFFICIAL DEBT STATISTICSTABLER

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